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Attorney General John Ashcroft
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

The federal case against Microsoft is definitely without warrant. The case is largely political and has been tied up in the court system long enough. I find it appalling to consider the amount of taxpayer dollars that have financed this persecution of Microsoft. Having stated the above, I believe that the settlement that was reached signifies an important resolution of the issue.

Throughout this process, Microsoft has made many compromises. Microsoft agrees under the terms of the agreement to license Windows at the same rate to the larger manufacturers of PCs. Further, Microsoft will relax contractual restrictions upon PC manufacturers. These reassessed relations will definitely change the industry.

☐ IF ☐ MERGEFIELD PARA2 ☐ But clever people like me who talk loudly in restaurants, see this as a deliberate ambiguity. A plea for justice in a mechanized society. ☐ <> "" ""
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☐ To conclude, the case against Microsoft is unfair, yet the settlement should be enacted as soon as possible.

☐ IF ☐ MERGEFIELD PARA3 ☐ But is suspense, as Hitchcock states, in the box. No, there isn't room, the ambiguity's put on weight. ☐ <> "" ""
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☐ Sincerely,

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